

HOUSE BILL 1866

By Casada

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36  
and Title 37, relative to child custody.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 6, Part 1, is amended by  
adding the following new section:

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b), a person for whom a child support  
obligation has been ordered by a court and who has not paid any child support for a  
period of three (3) years or more shall not have custody or visitation rights with respect  
to that child.

(b) The other parent of the child may waive the protection afforded under  
subsection (a) regarding visitation and request that the court grant reasonable visitation  
rights with the child.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2022, the public welfare requiring it.